

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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Title: An Automated Bidding Process and System

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As the below named inventor, I declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **An Automated Bidding Process and System** the specification of which:

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Application Serial No.: \*\*\*  
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I am [ X ] entitled to small entity status.

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Prior Foreign Application:

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(Number)	(Country)	(D/M/Year filed)	Yes	No

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